

A message from Governor Haley Barbour

Since Mississippi bore the brunt of the worst natural disaster in American history, our people have displayed amazing resiliency. As Governor, I am proud to report this state's recovery continues on many different fronts as the chaos of Hurricane Katrina is replaced by the commitment that we are rebuilding bigger and better than ever.

Mississippi's economy is thriving. Today, more people are working than at any time in our state's history and personal income is up more than 15 percent. Mississippi is home to an array of companies whose products and services come from every sector of the economy. From energy, automotive and steel, to the most advanced technological manufacturing, to the services sector, Mississippi's skilled workforce is getting the job done.

From the earliest days of my administration we have worked hard to nurture partnerships that create new opportunities for our workers and businesses to prosper. Building a vibrant, diversified economy with higher paying, higher skilled jobs remains our primary goal, and we're moving forward together.

Starting on the next page, you can learn more about these exciting times in Mississippi. I think you'll agree it's a great story, which leaves me with only one question:

What can we do for you?